

Upgradation of NHs in Bihar

†*331. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that special package action plan is being formulated for converting the National Highways into 4/6 lane road and upgradation of the National Highways in Bihar in view of accepted parameters for determination of road stretches under the National Highway Development Project; and

(b) if so, the complete details thereof and the time-limit fixed for its implementation?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) There is no special package formulated for Bihar. However, several stretches of the National Highways in Bihar have been included in the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) for implementation under various phases.

An aggregate length of 890 km of different stretches of nine National Highways (NH-19, 28A, 30, 31, 57A, 77, 80, 84 and 85) has been identified for four laning under NHDP Phase III based on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT-Toll). 113 km of Patna-Bakhtiarpur section of NH-30 and Patna-Muzaffarpur section of NH-19 and NH-77 have been included in NHDP-Phase IIIA for implementation and balance 777 km is included in NHDP Phase IIIB, for which preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) is in progress. NHDP Phase IIIA is likely to be completed by December, 2010 and stretches included in NHDP Phase IIIB are yet to be approved by the Government for implementation.

Implementation of packages for BTAD, Assam

*332. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the progress report of the implementation of Rs. 500 crores package for the Bodoland Territorial Areas District (BTAD), Assam till date;

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(b) the total amount released by the Centre and the total amount received by the BTAD since the beginning of the package; and

(c) the total number of schemes that have been approved by the Centre and the estimated amount of funds, scheme-wise?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH-EASTERN REGION.(SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (c) Rs. 500 crore over a period of 5 years @ Rs. 100 crore per year starting from 2004-05 is to be provided for implementation of infrastructure development projects in the Bodoland Territorial Council Areas. So far, the Ministry of Development of the North-East Region have cleared 39 projects at an indicative cost of Rs. 416.59 crore. Names of schemes, amount approved along with amount released by the Government of India (GOI) for each of these projects are given in the statement enclosed. (See below) Since the beginning of the package in 2004-05 the GOI have released Rs. 226.24 crore to the State Government of Assam (GOA) and the BTAD have received Rs. 81.60 crore from them. In addition, Rs. 15.99 crore were released directly to the National Building Construction Corporation (NBCC). The Bodoland Territorial Council Secretariat have reported utilization of Rs. 89.59 crore. However, the GOA have reported receipt of utilization certificates of Rs. 67.57 crore.

Statement

Projects approved, their estimated amount and amount released by the Government of India to the State Govt. of Assam from NLCPR Scheme

Sl. No.	Project/Scheme Name	Approved estimated amount	Amount released to the Govt. of Assam
			Rs. in Lac.
Projects approved in 2004-05			
1	2	3	4
1.	Improvement of Dhamdhama Tupalia Subankhata Road (Metalling and black-topping of remaining stretches including improvement of existing metalled surface)	589.00	294.50
2.	Improvement of Kaurbaha-Nagriuli Road by metalling and black-topppping including conversion of SPT Bridges into RCC Minor Bridges under special package for BTCAD	571.00	285.50

1	2	3	4
3.	Metalling and Black-topping of Narabari Dawkibari Road (Narabari to Florican Garden via Malgaon)	1595.00	1515.25
4.	Improvement of North Kajolgaon Dangtol Road	598.42	563.32
5.	Improvement of Bhowraguri Kachugaon Road in Kokrajhar	2391.00	1195.50
6.	Improvement and upgradation of Kashikotra to Basugaon Road	556.00	523.42
7.	Improvement of Sundari Bidyapur via Kakragaon Road	930.50	875.75
8.	Metalling and blacktopping of Gossaigaon to Saraibil Road including improvement of existing hard crust and conversion of STP bridge to RCC bridges	2082.38	1041.19
9.	Widening and Strengthening of Fakiragram-Serfanguri Road including conversion of STP bridge to RCC bridges	2064.08	1947.44
10.	Improvement of North Kajolgaon Bengtol Sonitpur Road, Chirang	810.31	769.51
11.	Construction of Road from NH-31 at Barama to Masalpur, Baska	1086.00	543.00
12.	Improvement of Jalah Rupahi Saudarbhitha Gobardhana Road, Baska	1000.00	500.00
13.	Improvement of Udalguri Bhakatpara Road via Bhairaguri, Udalguri	443.96	421.79
14.	Improvement of Barnagaon Pakribari Road, Udalguri	150.00	142.50
15.	Improvement of Kalaigaon Kundarbil Road, Udalguri	131.91	125.39
16.	Construction of 100 bedded Hospital at Kajaigaon in BTC area of Assam	4190.75	1599.24
17.	Kokrajhar Water Suply Scheme, Kokrajhar	2401.98	1200.99
18.	Construction of Bodofa Cultural Cmplx at Kokrajhar	1000.00	500.00
Sub-Total (2004-05):		22592.29	14044.29
Sl. No.	Project/Scheme Name	Approved estimated amount	Amount released to the Govt. of Assam
			Rs. in Lac
Projects approved in 2004-05			
19.	Champamati Irrigation Project	4385.00	1973.25
20.	Renovation/Re-construction of RNB Civil Hospital at Kokrajhar	743.00	334.35

1	2	3	4
21.	Subankhata Water Supply Scheme	364.02	163.81
22.	Sukla Irrigation Project	813.00	365.85
23.	Goreswar to Khoirabari Road	657.28	295.78
24.	Bhergaon-Chouni-Khagrabari-Dimakuchi Road	131.99	59.40
25.	Lailongpara-Kopati road (Via Boro Bazar)	132.00	59.40
26.	Khowrang Mahanpur Road	250.00	112.50
27.	Chapaguri-Khagrabari Road	630.00	283.50
28.	Tulsijhyora-Kailamaila Road via Amguri	900.00	405.00
29.	Bijni-Panbari Road	1558.58	701.36
30.	Gossaigaon to Kazigaon via Bhukka, Tipkai Road	1100.00	495.00
31.	Construction of Cold Storage at Udalguri district	435.03	195.76
32.	Construction of Cold storage at Kokrajhar district	435.03	195.76
33.	Construction of North East Gate Way Bus Terminus at Srinwgai Gossaigaon	144.42	64.99
34.	Improvement of Tihu Doomni Road leading to Indo-Bhutan foot hills from 7th to 25 km in Baska district	995.00	447.75
35.	Improvement of Khoirabari MPK road (Andherighat) to Harisinga via Bhergaon, Tangla and Purandia 42.25 km length with conversion of 11 SPT bridges to RCC	2650.26	1192.62
36.	Construction of Kashikotra Bamungaon Bengtol Road	1169.88	526.45
Sub-Total (2005-06):		17494.49	7872.53
Projects approved in 2006-07			
37.	Bheragaon Piped Water Supply Scheme	241.30	108.59
38.	Udalguri Piped Water Supply Scheme	508.40	228.78
39.	Uttarpar Piped Water Supply Scheme	822.82	370.26
Sub-Total (2006-07)		1572.52	707.63
Grand Total		41659.30	22624.45

Indo-US Science and Technology Cooperation

*333. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRIMATI SHOBANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and US Science and Technology Cooperation was discussed during US President's visit to India and announced the proposal